

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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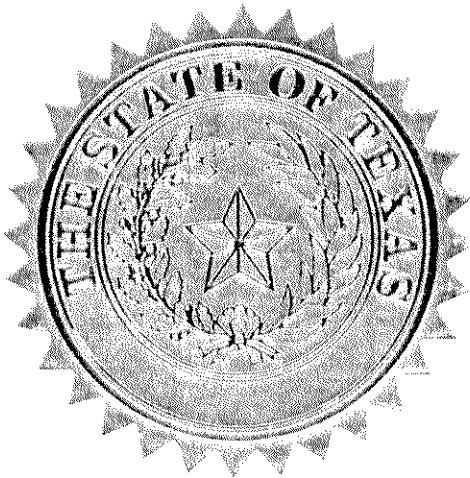
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 3647 as passed by the Eightieth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill No. 3647 would require the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to study whether international laws or agreements can impact or preempt Texas law or the authority of the Texas Legislature. This legislation is objectionable for several reasons. The international laws and agreements under scrutiny are federal law.

As the State of Texas, we live under the umbrella of federal law and intend for our state laws to comply with it. If we believe federal law impacts Texas in an undesirable way, we should work with Congress and the president to remedy those concerns. There is no need for the OAG to spend state resources and time deciphering whether federal law preempts state law when it is the objective of the State of Texas to act in accordance with these laws.

Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 15th day of June, 2007.

*Rick Perry*

RICK PERRY  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

*Roger Williams*  
ROGER WILLIAMS  
Secretary of State

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